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## PATENT APPLICATION

### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: RUBBER-BASED COMPOSITE MATERIAL AND RUBBER ARTICLE USING THE  
SAME

#### AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

##### MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 16, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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